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**PATENT** 

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TITLE OF	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPUTER CONTROLLED		
<b>APPLICATION:</b>	RARE, INCLUDING FETAL CELL, BASED DIAGNOSIS		

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# RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 30, 2006 AND AMENDMENT

# **I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits this document as responsive to the above referenced office action and/or communication from the USPTO.

# Location of Specified Sections for Scanning

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	AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS	N/A
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# • Request for Entrance of Response

Applicant respectfully requests that the following response be entered as responsive to the October 30, 2006 Final Office Action ("Office Action").

# Request for Extension of Time

Applicant requests a one month extension of time to respond to the office action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 11-0404.

# • Format of this Response

This response is submitted in compliance with the revised format for making amendments to the specification, claims and drawings officially adopted by the USPTO on July 30, 2003, and which is now reflected in 37 C.F.R. §1.121. If a substitute specification is submitted herein, a clean form and marked-up version are included. Amendments to drawings, if ny, are submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.84 on replacement sheets as an attachment to this document (with an accompanying detailed explanation of all of the changes with respect to the drawings made in the remarks section of this amendment.